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Baby Cottage

BABY COTTAGE, January 22.—Nearly a whole month since Santa Claus came and brought us such beautiful toys. Our Christmas tree was beautiful and Santa himself came and handed us our toys and presents. We are a happy crowd of babies! We played every minute of our Christmas holidays from the Kindergarten. Now we have a few scrapped dolls, some with one arm off and some with a leg but they are still dear. Our big rag dolls, Mrs Purcell and her friends sent from Salisbury are lasting and will give us joy for many months, no doubt. We boys smash and break all we can and then have fun putting the pieces together again. The soldiers and grand fort have given all of us a great deal of pleasure. It would be hard to tell how very much and many good things we had, but all thank Santa very much and we are going to be good babies all the time, so he'll want to come to see us next Christmas.

We have a new baby boy named Russell DeLane. He is big and fat and about five years old.

Jack and Tom had a visit from their aunt, Mrs. Exener, from New York, Saturday. We all enjoy having folks come to see us whether "our folks" or the other babies"folk."

William and Mabel Billings' father is good to all of us. Everytime he comes we are made happy with apples bananas, candy, chewing gum or something good. He brought us a bucket of delightful honey one time, and oh, how we have enjoyed it!

You should see the playhouse Rhoda Daniels' mother brought her! It is a real house and sits in our play room. We can go inside it and needless to try to tell you how proud we are of it! We enjoy each other's toys and possessions as we do our own, which menas we are very generous.

We have nice long walks every afternoon the weather will permit. None of us have been sick for a long time, not even a bad cold, isn't that fine?

Must not forget to tell you that Lillian's aunt came Christmas, and was so sweet and good to us, and Evelyn Coppedge's mother spent the day with us.

Now we will wish all our friends a very happy New Year!

——P. O. H.——

"I LOVE YOU"—LIKE-A-DEESE

A Popular Expression In 28 Languages

There isn't a language under the sun that hasn't the phrase "I love you" or its equivalent. One reason why the arctic nights are so long, perhaps, is because in order to commit himself by these memorable three words the sheik of Greenland has to say: "Univifgssaerntdluinolerfirona-jungarsigujak." The hoped for answer is just as long but we'll pass that up.

The same words in other languages follow (same them for possible future reference):

Italian: "Vi amo."
French: "Je t'aime."
Polish: "Kucham cie."
German: "Ich liebe dich."
Arabian: "Bahabbek."
Armenian: "Yes Kee Seerem Kez.'
Chinese: "Ono Ngai Ni."
Japanese: "Watakusiwa Anata siki Masu."
Malay: "Dikasi Uleh Hamba."
Persian: "Chouma ra Doust Darem."
Danish: "Jeg holder of dem."
Yiddish: "Ich lieb dir."
Hebrew: "Ani ohev osoch."
Egyptian: "N'achqeb."
Portuguese: "Eu Vos Amo."
Rumanian: "Ve Iubesc."
Russian: "Ia Vas Lioublou."
Spanish: "Te Quiero."
Greek: "Sas Aghapo."
Swedish: "Jag Tycker om Eder."
Turkish: "Ben Senee Sevseyoroom."
Annamite: "Toi Thu'o'ng be Lam.'
Hawaiian: "Nui Kouou Aloha No Oe."
Dutch: "Ik Bemin U."
Hungarian: "En Oni Szeretem."
Hindu: "Main Tym Ropijar Karyn."
Cambodian: "Khnhom Nearkh Srelanh."—Mooresville Enterprise.

The Power Of Song

When the apostles in the prison at Philippi "prayed and sang praises unto God," "the prisoners heard them." It must have been a sad and pitiable congregation. But some, at least, would feel better and take heart again, as they listened to these midnight songs. Thirty men, disheveled and red-eyed, lined up before a judge. It was the usual crowd of "drunks and disorderlies" from the night before. Some were old and hardened; others hung their heads in shame. While they stood, a clear voice from below began to sing—

"Last night I lay a-sleeping,
There came a dream so fair."

Last night! For these men it had been a nightmare, not a night. The song was such a contrast to the horrible fact that it brought a sudden shock.

"I stood in old Jerasulem.
Beside the temple there."

The song continued, and the judge paused and quietly inquired. A former member of a famous opera company, known all over the country, was waiting trial for forgery, and was singing in the cell below. Meantime the song went on, and every prisoner showed signs of emotion. A few dropped upon their knees. One lad at the end of the line buried his face in his hands, and sobbed aloud: "O mother, mother!" Through the courtroom the song blended with the hush. One man protested: "We're here to take our punishment; but this—" And he, too, began to sob. It was impossible to carry on the business of the court. The police sergeant, after surprised attempt to keep the men in line, stepped back and waited with the rest. The song swelled to its climax—

"Jerusalem, Jerusalem! Sing for the night is o'er!
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna for evermore!"

The last words rang out and there was silence. Visibly every one was touched. Neither fine or sentence did the judge pronounce. A kindly word, and he dismissed them all. It was a conquest of them, not by punishment but by song, as Paul and Silas sang in the prison, and the prisoners overheard them.—Homiletic Review.

——P. O. H.——

Lottie Walker

1st FLOOR

WOMAN'S BUILDING FIRST FLOOR, Jan. 30—How do you like the snowy weather? We have great fun when it snows, so why should we feel blue about it?

Miss Adams, our matron, has been sick, but she is feeling lots better now.

Our Sewing-room girls are not very busy now. They are making Basket-Ball suits for some of our small girls. But, the Laundry makes up for you can always find them busy.

We are having many basketball games now.

Our all-star team played the Pineville all-star team. I bet you can't guess the score. Well, the score was 12-29 in our favor.

Christmas has gone but we have another great event—Kiwanis night, Which is the 21st of Febuary.

Miss McGoogan and Mrs. McGirt spent the week end at Maxton. Mrs. McGirt went on business while Miss McGoogan went to see her folks.

The Ladies Auxiliary is having the Mission Study Class this week. Some of the friends from Statesville have come out and made wonderful talks. We were indeed glad to hear them. Mrs. Ramsey talked Sunday night. Several of the girls went to hear her. We enjoyed her talk very much.

Goodbye for this time and maybe we can write more news next time.

——P. O. H.——

THE INSULT

The traffic oficer had raised his hand and the lady motorist stopped with a jerk. Said the officer, as he drew out his little book: "As soon as I saw you come around the bend I said to my self, "forty-five at least."

"Officer," remonstrated the lady indignantly, "you are very much mistaken. It's this old hat that makes me look so old."—Judge

——P. O. H.——

TAKING NO CHANCE

Grocer (to small customer): Willie, would you like to have an apple?

Willie: no sir. I'm afraid to eat em.

Grocer: Why?

Willie: Cause my grandfather died of applelexy.—Exchange.

Farm - Campus

Uh, pretty cold isn't it? Well that never stops the farmers. We are working with the corn when it is wet and cold outside and when the weather is suitable we chop wood and work on the new football field.

Well we are still killing hogs and they are served to us in ideal fashon. I think everyone enjoys the sausage and liver mush. The farmers have an up to date vat to scald pigs. We killed four one afternoon and by six o'clock they were in the smoke house.

Different things are going on around the farm. Mr. Nesbit for instance, is building a first class chicken house over at Mr. Sipes'. Mr. Sipes has charge of the poultry and is taking good care of them.

We have been clearing a considerable lot of forest this winter. The grubbers go before us and the axmen follow up.

The roads around here are pretty bad now, but we will have them fixed up as soon as it drys.

When summer comes again everyone will appreciate it. It has been so cold at work that we dream of the good ole summer time.

We have closed up the road leading to Mr. Sipes as a public road and now it may not be so muddy and rough just being traveled by us.

The mules are in fine condition now and seem to enjoy the cold weather. The colored drivers, Ab, Jim, and Bob don't seem to like it tho'. They are like everyone else they want summer time.

We've gotten a lot of corn from our own resources and also McDonald Farm. This corn keeps us busy during the rainy days. These hogs and mules surely do hide that corn away. They eat it very fast as hogs have always eaten.

The reason the farmers have been working so smoothly is because we have such little sickness. The boss, Mr. Cavin, is feeling fine and all the rest are following after him.

The barley grinder can be fixed with a different set of wheels so as to grind corn for our cornbread. This, no doubt, saves the expenses of corn meal.

We understand that the chain gang is going to make their camp right next to our land. It is to be about four hundred yards from our hog houses. We hope they feel at home so close to us.

The Truck Farm now has a new International truck. The International people are well represented around here. The farm has two tractors, a wheat thrasher, a corn harvester, two reapers and drag harrows and several other minor tools. The work is done well on the farm because of the equipment we have. Everything is kept in good order over here and when anything needs to be done we get out the tools and do it and are on something else the next day. As you know there is an exception to every rule. We go back to the football site every day. This is a big job for us farmers. This will take a long time but we will finish it by and by.

Well, this is about all the neews for this time and we hope you will enjoy reading this repetoire of the farm. AB AGRICOLIS.

——P. O. H.——

How Church Women Save

In many places throughout North Carolina and perhaps other sections in recent years the women societies of the various churches have been meeting in circles, and frequently go to much trouble and expense in serving "refreshments." The good women of New Bern have started a sort of retrenchment movement as outlined in a recent news item sent out from that city as follows: "To save the money usually spent on refreshments for charitable purposes, elderly women members of a local Sunday school class were served lollypops, or all day suckers, at a recent class meeting here. It is said that the ladies thoroughly enjoyed the unique refreshments, many never before having tasted that kind of undignified confectionery. The spirit of the members of spending their refreshment money for more philanthropic and praiseworthy purposes has been highly commended. —Mooresville Enterprise.

——P. O. H.——

HOME MISSIONS

Old Lady: Where did you get all those nickles, sonnie?

Sonnie: Down at the church.

Old Lady: Did you steal them,you naughty boy?

Sonnie: Oh, no; the minister said that this money is all for the heathens. Me and pa is atheists, so I took a handful.—Selected

NEARING THE FINISH

ONLY TWO MONTHS TO GO

PRESBYTERY	JANUARY RECEIPTS Reg.—Thanksgiv.		Amount Per Member	Total Amount Per Member For Year	Total Amount Due Per Member	STANDING
Winston-Salem	$201.79	$310.00	15 c.	245¼c.	125c.	120¾c. ah'd.
Granville	339.74	44.78	7¼c.	124¼c.	125c.	¾c. beh'd.
Concord	1086.32	509.26	14¾c.	116¼c.	125c.	8¾c. beh'd
Albemarle	288.68	9.25	7½c.	112¾c.	125c.	12¼c. beh'd.
Kings Mountain	150.64	6.50	3¼c.	106¾c.	125c.	18¼c. beh'd.
Mecklenburg	1166.52	387.00	9½c.	96 c.	125c.	29 c. beh'd
Orange	1219.87	242.67	14 c.	85½c.	125c.	39½c. beh'd.
Wilmington	661.97	67.88	9½c.	76 c.	125c.	49 c. beh'd.
Fayetteville	793.51	538.15	11¾c.	69¾c.	125c.	55¼c. beh'd.
Synod	$5909.04	$2115.49	10.8c.	100.3c.	125c.	24.7c. beh'd.

¶—**EXPLANATION: The revenue from the churches needed for the orphanage for the year amounts to $107,000—an average $1.50 per church member, or 12½ cents per month. This table shows each month the contributions by the Presbyteries and how far behind or ahead they are on this schedule. The last column shows the standing. This does not mean that only $1.50 is expected from any member, but is used in reporting on large groups like a Presbytery.**

LET'S spend a few minutes studying the Table of Receipts. You will note that the total received from all the Presteries for this ten months of the church year, amounts to practically $1.00 per member, or in round numbers, $74,000.00. This is about equally divided between Thanksgiving offerings and regular contributions. $37,000.00 to each, and we lack just $37,000.00 yet of receiving the amount needed from the various contributing organizations, to meet our budget requirements.

If we receive this, we will have held our own. Anything less than that, will mean going further in debt.

January of 1930 was not quite so good as January, 1929. The receipts fell $500.00 below that of a year ago. Only three Presbyteries exceeeded the regular 12½ cents per month. In other words, just three Presbyteries gained. Others fell behind. Winston-Salem is way out in front. Granville, just three-quarters of a cent behind the calendar. About two days, in other words. Concord is two-thirds of a month behind. Albemarle is just one month behind. Kings Mountain a month and a half. Mecklenburg, two and a third months behind. Orange, three months and five days behind. Wilmington almost four months behind. Fayetteville, five months and ten days behind. The Synod as a whole two months behind; and we all have two months to catch up in.

Some of the churches in the Presbyteries that are most behind, have sent us very liberal contributions. They may wonder why their Presbytery still stays behind. In view of this, the following information that has beencompiled by our bookkeeping department, may be interesting. We find that there are 603 churches and Sunday Schools in the Synod. These are a few more than are listed in the General Assembly Minutes, on account of some new Sunday Schools being oring organized since the meeting of the General Assembly. Of this total, 376 have sent in Thanksgiving offerings.

91 have made irregular contributions through the year, and 136 have made no contribution at all.

The following table gives in detail how these churches are distributed among the Presbyteries:

	No. Making Thanksgiving Offering	No. Making Irregular Offerings	No. Making No Contributions	TOTAL
Albemarle	25	3	11	39
Concord	42	13	9	64
Fayetteville	75	12	21	108
Granville	34	8	11	53
Kings Mtn.	31	6	5	42
Mecklenburg	55	12	30	97
Orange	41	23	12	76
Wilmington	53	8	26	87
Winston-Salem	20	6	11	37
TOTAL,	376	91	136	603

Of course, those organizations sending nothing are usually the small Home Mission Churches and Sunday Schools. Still we believee that when they all do their part, that the carrying of the Orphanage load will be less of a burden on all of the churches. We have tried to get the Messenger and other communications to every church and member in the Synod. If the 91 churches and Sunday Schools sending irregular contributions could really be lined up to doing effective regular work, and if the 136 non-contributing organizations could be lined up in this work, we believe there would be a happier day ahead for all of us.

As we approach the time for Every Member Canvas, is it not possible to have an every church canvas for our church causes?

1929 had been a hard year on the church causes. More people seem to be talking hard times at the present time than ever before, and many of you may wonder why we do not curtail our work here to suit the times.

Well, if the Orphanage work was in any sense a luxury, this could be done, but it is a dire necessity and the calls on it for help are increased during the hard times. A doctor may be somewhat of a luxury when everybody is well, but when you are sick is no time to dispense with his services. The Orphanage is a sort of remedy for the distress caused by unemployment and other conditions caused by sick business. We can't dispense with that until business gets well, and everybody has plenty. We of course, will be prepared to close up when everybody becomes prosperous; but at the present time, the Orphanage has a bigger work to do than ever before.

——P. O. H. ——

Infirmary

Infirmary, Jan. 24—Burr! we sure are having some cold weather here and beleive me the fire feels fine these mornings.

All of us passed on our exams this month and you know we are proud of ourselves.

My! we sure have been filled to the over-flowing point for the past two or three weeks with patients that have all kinds of pains. Our number has decreased to about six now and we are glad of that.

Mrs. McGirt is leaving today to spend the week-end at her home in Maxton.

No more news at this time so we sign off here. "MAC"

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Help Us Cry

Did you ever see a great big grown man just crying out loud? It looks odd, doesn't it? Well, if anyone had been around several days ago they might have seen us doing that very thing, and we will explain the occasion that brought about that outburst of grief.

As everybody knows, the problem of financing a great big institution like Barium Springs is quite a problem. It seems that no matter how we strive we can never quite catch up.

Naturally, we dream a lot about that glorious day when something will happen to put our finances on an absolutely solid basis something like the heavily endowed institutions in the North; and when we commence to think about the North, we think about some of the big Foundations that have been set up for the various phases of public welfare, and when our thoughts go to them, our hopes go also, that possibly some day we may be noticed by them and be helped over some particularly high hurdle in our immediate financial future.

Several days ago, we made a journey to Charlotte in connection with arranging some very difficult financial obligations, and in conversation with a friend, we were told that he understood that one of the New York Foundations had heard of the plight of two of our sister Institutions, and was going to relieve them of their immediate financial difficulty with a substantial contribution. The figures runningto about $50,000—so our friend told us.

Immediately our pulse began to beat fast, and our hopes to rise as we felt that possibly our own beloved Institution at Barium Springs might have been mentioned to the directors of this Foundation, also that we would come in for a distribution to help us over our most critical financial situation at the present time.

We came home with this thought in our minds, thinking that this instead of being just a possibility, might be a probability, and that there was actually a probability of our getting out of debt this year.

Shortly after arriving at home, the mail came in from the North, and there was a letter from the directing head of this particular Foundation. It put our hearts all in a flutter; we would not even open that letter until all the others were opened and the contents noted. It happened that all the other letters were bills, some of them insistent, but we passed them by with a light heart, feeling that we could send them checks in a few days, as the *last* letter to be opened was going to fix things all right.

Finally, after gathering our family around us to help enjoy the sensation, we opened this letter from this Foundation, and we found that they were sending us—a World Almnaac for the use of our Library! And that was all. Can you blame us for crying out loud?

Usually, what we don't earn we don't keep.

It's the hope of getting what you haven't got that gives zest to life.

Usually the fellow who give their wives plenty of freedom don't give them any money.

Of all glad words of tongue or pen the gladest are these "Enclosed find check!"

Next to the guest who doesn't know when to go home the worst bore is the person who doesn't know when to hang up on the telephone.

THE OLD AND NEW YEAR

The Watchman-Examiner.

THESE are the days in which the past and the future vie with each other for our attention. The future beckons us, and yet every man knows the wisdom of taking to himself the command which was given of old, "Remember all the way in which the Lord thy God led thee."

A Look Backward

There are lessons in the past to guide our actions in the future and inspiration in things accomplished for greater undertakings in the years to come. Jesus Christ is "the same yesterday, today and forever." He has been with us in our sorrows and wiped away our tears. He has been with us in our seed sowing and has given us glorious harvests. He has been with us in our weakness and given us strength. He has even been with us when we have been overcome by temptation and has forgiven us and restored us to his favor. Our Saviour and King has dealt with us gently and lovingly, and because of it we praise and magnify His name.

The past year has opened unto us many doors of opportunity. As individuals, as churches and as a Nation we should thank God for these. After all there is no happiness apart from helpfulness. It has been our privilege to be "the shadow of a great rock in a weary land." It is well for us to remember that "miser" and "miserable" come from the same root. Even Christ came "came not to be ministered unto but to minister and to give his life a ranson for many." Then let us be grateful as we think about the past, for every service that we have rendered, for every cup of cold water that we have given to a weary fellow-traveler, for every tear that we have wiped away.

The past year has been one in which our God has rained down upon us rich material blessings. There has been widespread and unusual prosperity. Indeed America has become but another name for prosperity. Crops have been abundant, business has grown rapidly, and remarkable progress has been made in scientific, comfort producing inventions. The great stock market collapse swept away many fortunes, larger and smaller, but it taught its own valuable lessons. The year is closing with increasing evidence of a reaction from materialism, and its products of irreverence and sensualism by which the public conscience was being perverted and debauched and the progress of Christianity was being seriously retarded.

A Look Forward

The New Year is now upon us. We hail this New Year with a shout. God has been wondrously good to us during the past year, but from the record which we have made we gladly turn away. We would be among those who are forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth unto those which are before. We would forget the past, because we would not have its successes satisfy us nor its failures discourage us. On the other hand, we know that we can leave the past only as a house leaves its foundation and as a tree leaves its roots. Though the future is a child of the past, Christ can make that child over.

We hail the future with a shout because the same Saviour who has been with us in the past will be with us in the future. After Christ's crucifixion and resurrection He said to a dear one: "It is I myself," and He proved it by responding to Mary's ardent love, by being patient with Thomas' honest doubt, by generous forgiveness to backslidden Peter. That is the Saviour with whom we start the New Year. "The same yesterday, today, and forever." He will always be near to help in every time of trouble. He will always be patient with us in our honest perplexities. He will always be forgiving when the weakness of our flesh causes us to stumble. Can you fear the future with such a Saviour?

The imagination can scarcely picture the possibilities before the churches and the changes that may take place for the advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom before the New Year shall end. To the individual, the churches, the State, and National missionary societies, there is a call for an intelligent and comprehensive study of the widening field and the changing conditions, and for a readjustment of methods that shall make the work most effective. There is also need of a more ready response to the Spirit's leading, which will be manifested in more consecrated living and more generous giving and a firmer faith in the speedy triumph of the kingdom of our God "which always causeth us to triumph in Christ."

Let us remember that the Apostle Paul said: "The time that remaineth unto us is short." Before this year is out our Lord may return in glory for the complete redemption of His people. If He still further delays His coming He may send a messenger for us. The time that remaineth unto us is short. We are soon to enter this new year. This, of itself, is of no great importance. A mere change of date has no special significance. The really important matter is, in what spirit are we entering on this new division of time, and what are we going to do with its hours and days and weeks, with the opportunities and privileges which it will lay at our feet? Shall we make good use of them? Will not every reader of these words determine to make this New Year the best ever for Jesus Christ?

With words more beautiful than we can pen we close with a poet's New Year wish for his friends, which wish we adopt as our own for every reader:

No Lullaby Need Mary Sing

(By Anna Temple)

No lullaby need Mary sing
For Christ, the little new-born King;
The angels woke the fields of earth
With song the evening of his birth.

No lamp nor torch need Mary light
To chase afar the shades of night;
The light of heaven broke on earth
And glory shed upon that birth.

No tidings need she haste to send
Of this Child's birth to kin and friend.
The news had been proclaimed afar
That evening by a shining star.

—(Selected.)

—P. O. H.—

JUNIOR ORDER ORPHANAGE MAKING RAPID GROWTH

Lexington, Jan. 20—With the coming of the new year the population of the Lexington Orphanage of the Junior Order has been steadily increasing through the admission of a number of children. Completion late last year of the North Carolina Dormitory erected by the membership of the order in this state at a cost of approximately $100,000 gave the institution additional facilities sufficient to accomodate more than 70 children and bringing the population up to around 200 children.

The dedication last year of the North Carolina dormitory one of the largest and most complete buildings on the campus, was a great event for the members of the Junior Order. Attended by members from various sections of the United States, including several of the highest officals in the national organization, the dedication of the building to the service of the orphaned children was impressive.

During the past month the new dormitory was pressed into service with the girls being moved from the Pennsylvania building to it and the boys being transferred from the South Carolina building to the Pennsylvania building. With the compleetion of the transfer of the children work was begun on the building erected by the state council of South Carolina. Several changes were made in it to make it better adapted to the needs that are now being placed upon it through its occupancy by the children admitted this year. It has been converted into a combination infirmary and nursery.

The work done, the doors of the institution were opened for the reception of 70 of the boys and girls who had been waiting until room could be made for them. The children came various states and upon their arrival were given physical examinations and were assigned places in the instituton.

Recently a trained nurse has been added to the staff of employees and the orphanage is better prepared than ever before to take care of the children properly according to W. M. Shuford, superintendent.

—P. O. H.—

"FRESHIE"

We are the freshmen of '29 and '30.
We are a class that's very sturdy.
We've conquered(?)algebra and
Latin too.
Gee! but Civics and English make
us blue.
So here we are so stern and true:
Alice is our flapper;
Frank is our sheik.
Mary is our napper
While Margaret and Jeanette can't
be beat.
Mildred is our thinking-cap
So I gueess Sylvia, Marian and
Clifton have all taken a nap.
Pearl is our giggle-box;
Helen and Elmer have the curly locks.
Jessie and Margurite have the whole
class beat
When it comes to talking about the
feet.
Lucille is our would-be-poet,
Author of, "I don't know it."
Ruth is our freckled hen
So I guess this is the end.
Signed "FRESHIES"
Station, A. Y. R. S. L. B.

The End Of The Year

(Written for the Messenger by a Ten Year Old Boy)

The night before New Year
Before we go to bed
Is so silent you would think the
the town dead;
But after a little while
And the wind blowing wild
You hear from the churches the
tolling of bells
The coming of New Year it tells.
For blessings we've had all through
the past year
We thank thee our Father and
want thee to hear
Our prayer for the New Year
Guide us aright to the end of the
year in mercy and light.

—John B. McKee
Columbia, Tenn

BARIUM SPRINGS 1930 BASKETBALL AND WRESTLING SCHEDULE

Dec. 10—Stony Point at Barium (girls).
Dec. 14—Winston-Salem at Barium (girls).
Dec. 19—Winston-Salem at Winston (girls).
Jan. 3—Union Grove at Union Grove (boys and girls)).
Jan. 4—Concord at Barium, wrestling.
Jan. 7—Scotts at Barium (girls).
Jan. 7—Stony Point at Barium (boys).
Jan. 10—Mills Home at Thomasville boys and girls).
Jan. 11—Hickory at Barium (girls).
Jan. 14—Scotts at Barium (boys).
Jan. 16—Concord Y at Concord, wrestling.
Jan. 17—Stony Point at Stony point (boys and girls).
Jan. 18—Union Grove at Barium (boys and girls).
Jan. 24—N. Wilkesboro at N. Wilkesboro (boys and girls).
Jan. 25—Statesville at Barium(boys and girls).
Feb. 4—China Grove girls at Barium Springs.
Feb. 4—Statesville at Statesville (boys).
Feb. 5—Davidson Fresh at Davidson, wrestling.
Feb. 7—Barium vs China Grove at China Grove.
Feb. 8—Charlotte at Barium(girls).
Feb. 11—Statesville at Statesville (girls).
Feb. 15—Davidson Fresh at Barium —wrestling.
Feb. 15—Maiden at Barium (boys and girls).
Feb. 21—Piedmont Jr. High School at Charlotte (boys and girls).
Feb. 22—North Wilkesboro at Barium (boys and girls).
Feb. 28—Harmony at Harmony (boys and girls).
March 1—Piedmont Jr. High School at Charlotte (boys and girls.)
Dates for Wrestling Meets with Greensboro, Oak Ridge and Durham to be added.
Troutman to be played a seriees of games for the Championship.

ATHLETIC DOINGS FOR THE FIRST HALF OF THE MONTH

Jan. 3rd at Union Grove we cranked the new year off to a bad start. Our girl team was defeated 20—19 and the boys 23—17. Neither the weather nor the teams were very hot. This was basketball.

Jan. 4—at Barium our wrestling team managed to get themselves and the ship of state right side up by defeating Concord "Y" 30 to 9. The Barium All Stars, a handsome collection of ex-collegions staged a great victory over Hickory All Stars the same night.

Jan. 7—the Barium Boys were defeated by Stony Point at Barium in basketball, 12-10.

Jan. 10—at Thomasville Boys and Girls engaged in an eating contest as guests of the Mills Home later playing basketball, results, Mills Home girls 34 Barium 16 Mills boys 7, Barium 11.

Jan. 11—at Barium, Hickory Girls basketball—score Hickory 32 Barium 34 (a red hot game).

Jan. 11—boys basketball at Spencer; Spencer victorious 20-8.

Jan. 14—boys basketball—Scotts at Barium. Result: Scotts 22, Barium 24.

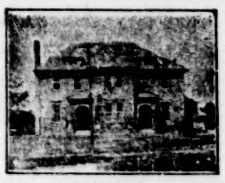
Jan. 16—at Concord, wrestling Concord "Y" 14 Barium 29

Jan. 17—at Stony Point-basketball Girls Stony Pt. 16 Barium 13. Boys Stony Pt. 8Barium 9.

Jan. 18—at Barium Basketball Girls ,Union Grove 9 Barium 27. Boys Union Grove 20 Barium 19.

And a possum hunt by the Virginia Hall Mission Band the night of Jan.14 Result scoreless tie as to possums but a slaughter of wennies.

Alexander - Dairy



We have a new boy up here, his name is Lafayette Inman. He is in the second grade and is ten years old. He weighes one hundred pounds, no crooked stuff about it. He said he forgot to fetch his knife up here with him

It is getting colder and colder every day.

Graham Long has a watch but it won't run unless he runs with it.

We have two new cows now and their names are Carrie and May. We are getting a lots of milk now.

Ernest has water on his knee and he has to walk on crutches. One of the boys asked him how he got it. He said, "I guess it was from those two glasses of water I drank yesterday for dinner."

Jim Elliott said to Gordon Jones, "Don't get funny or I'll bump you off."

THE JOLLY LITTLE CAT

The jolly little cat sat down
And washed his face, with glee;
"This good old world is full," he purred,
"Of fun, as it can be.
Some folk might say the wind is cold;
I don't mind that a bit,
I see a feather blowing round
And get warm chasing it." . . .

The jolly cat stood up
And arched his furry spine;
"What fun it is to strech," he sang,
"And isn't sleeping fine?
And if your bed is cold one night,
And there's no food to eat—
Why, when you're warm again and full,
Say— isn't it a treat?"

The jolly cat spun round
And chased his flowing tail;
"Some people say success is best—
I sometimes like to fail;
For though it's merry sport for me
To catch my tail, I say
The tail must have some fun, you know,
Each time it gets away."

The jolly cat lay down
And curled up in a ball.
He dreamed that folks saw good and bad,
And big things quite small.
He dreamed that all bright spots in life
Were well worth looking at.
"What dandy dreams!" he purred, awake,
The jolly little cat.

—Mary B. Bartett.

Laundry

Laundry Jan. 16, 1930—We have changed groups since our last news. We have only six but when it comes to washing clothes we can beat them all.

We are enjoying the basketball games our boys and girls are playing.

O! boy all of our mid-term exams are over, and we hope we all reached the passing mark. The laundry girls studied and worked all at the same time, especially Lillian and Fay, they were asking questions about their lessons.

You ought to hear our "Song Birds". Just come on the campus and you can hear them for they don't want any one to miss their beautiful songs.

We have been enjoying the pictures that we have been having lately. We also enjoyed the picture in States-Jan. 11th.

If you miss Ellen some day, you will find her in the washer—she is so small she can't reach the bottom of the washer, and she is likely to fall in.

This will be all till next time.

ELMER LITTLE.

———P. O. H.———

Lottie Walker

2nd FLOOR

Lottie Walker Second Floor. Jan. 15—Well, here we are again, coming to tell you our news.

Just think of it! We have been to Statesville twice this past week.

Sunday night we went to hear the 1st Presbyterian Church choir pepeat their Christmas carols and it was wonderful.

Then Saturday afternoon, we went to The Playhouse to see "Four Feathers," the guests of the Playhouse manager. They were very kind to us and we appreciate it very much as well as the fact that Mrs. Hill and Mr. Johnston made it possible for us to go.

Mr. Johnston has gotten us some new basketball jerseys and we will have to play hard to show him our appreciation.

We are all glad that the hard work of the mid-term exams is over and we think most of our girls passed. We have only a few girls on our floor to go to the birthday dinner this month. Guess they won't get too much because Mildred Morrow is going to be there and she is trying to get fat.

Elmer Little has left the kitchen now and she is still trying to reduce.

One of our girls, Pearl Beaver, left us last Saturday, to go to Charlotte, to make her home with Mrs. Victor Shaw. We certainly do miss her and hope that she will make a success in her new work.

We all enjoyed the good game of basketball with Hickory, Saturday night. Sure were glad that our team won.

Right here we will hang our close on this line!

Gifts

Asheboro, Mrs. C. Fox, one quilt

Asheboro, S. S. Class of Mrs. Fox, box of assorted thread.

Charlotte, Mrs. M. W. Glenn, 206 Grandin Road, one quilt.

Elizabeth City, Woman' Aux. three overcoats.

Reidsville, Pres. Sunday School, one bbl. patatoes.

Greensboro, Cone Export Co. one bale overall material.

Laurinburg, Mr. Mac. Camerson, Reg.of Deeds, 51 books for Library.

Raeford, Bethel Aux. Circle 2, one quilt.

Warsaw, Circle 2, one quilt

Mocksville, Mrs. T. B. Bailey, cards for Synods Cottage.

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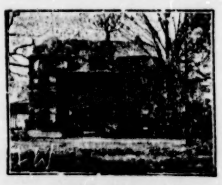
Annie Louise



Annie Louise Cottage Jan. 14—Well here we are again exams are over and we are glad.

We hada very joyful christmas and a beautiful Christmas tree. Santa surely was good to us got what we wished for.

Mr Billings visited his echildren and brought apples for Helen and Evelyn and beautiful calendars for the matrons.

We enjoyed the program that the Synod Cottage boys gave last Sundan and know that we are going to enjoy the others too. As news is short, we will have to say good-by

Sylvia Brown

———P. O. H. ———

LITTLE COUNTRY PAPER

I get a little paper from a little country town—
A far cry from the dailies, that on Sunday weigh us down;
It's printed every Friday, and it has no supplement.
Nor colored rotogravure, but I'm always glad it's sent.
It gives no clever verses by syndi cate bardds,
But states that Mrs. Williams entertained some friends at cards;
'Ye Scribe," saw Judge McArthur shaking hands with friends today;
It says the Curtis fambly sold out and moved away
On BoulderDam it's sileent, and there's nothing on finance—
It tells that the Rebekahs gave an inatallation dance.
That Miss Day is- returning soon to open up her school,
That Alexander Hargroves lost a valuable mule.
It's glad that Jimmy Gallagher can be around again.
It claims that the alfalfa crop is much in need of rain;
The supervisors voted for the road work to commence;
Will Anderson hauled lumber for his new garage and fence.
The worldly ones may smile at it but but theirs are tender smiles—
These home town items from a bond through many years and miles.
Oh, little country paper, with your little weekly talks!
I like to wander with you down remembered roads and walks.

—Clara McCreery, in Liberal, Mo., News.

———P. O. H. ———

Some of us are probably lucky that we don't get everthing we go after.

School

HONOR ROLL FOR FIFTH MONTH

Fourth Grade
Lucile Burney
Leila Johnston

Sixth Grade
Miriam Saunders

Eighth Grade
Mirian McCall
Mildred Thomas

Tenth Grade
Alice Craig

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MERIT ROLL FOR FIFTH MONTH

Second Grade—Bobbie Bosworth, Alexander Edwards, Walter Motte, Billie Starling, Daniele Salvaggio, Hazel Morrow, Helen Thomas.

Third Grade—Denzil Cartret, Billie Hewitt, Alice Jones, Hugh McCrimmon, Charles O'Kelley, Alice Pittman, Phillippina Salvaggio, Margaret Willis.

Fourth Grade—Wilma Dry, Robert Gallyon, Iris Henry, Claiborne Jessup, Gordon Jones, Frances Lowrance, Levada Lambert, Effie Lee Marlow, Ray Norman, Grace Roberts, Edmonia Steele, Eugene Shannon, David Spencer.

Fifth A Grade—Milton Gaskill, Rhoda Jones, Billie Martin, Clara Wadsworth.

Fifth B Grade—Esther Townsend.

Sixth Grade—Cheek Freeman, Hattie Morris, T. L. O'Kelley, jr., A. D. Potter.

Seventh Grade—Herbert Blue, Margaret Brooks, Myrtle Johnson, Lois Motte, Bruce Parcell, Dorothy Thomas.

Eighth B Grade—Lucile Beck, Ruth Shannon.

Tenth Grade—Lorena Clark.

Eleventh Grade—Kathrine Kerley, Edna McMillan.

——P. O. H.——

Howard

Howard Cottage, Jan 21— We have had our mid-term examinations and we think everybody at our cottage passed.

A few of our girls made the merit roll and two the honor roll.

We have been enjoying the basketball games. Mr. Brown preached us such a good sermon Sunday on foreign missions.

Miss Woods spent a week at home with her mother who was sick. Mrs. McGirt was our matron while Miss Woods was away.

We went to walk Sunday afternoon and had a very good time.

We thank the people who sent us popcorn and peeanuts for Christmas. We saved ours until after Christmas.

We had a good western picture Friday night.

MIRIAM SANDERS.

———P. O. H. ———

Rumple Hall

Rumple Hall, Jan. 21—Well folks, here we are again. Ugh! folks don't you feel like resting now since the exams are over?

We have a new girl with us now, her name is Annie Inman, and we are glad to have her with us and hope she will like her new home.

We surely are enjoying the basketball games we are having now, we have won nearly everyone of them and hope we win all the coming games.

Well folks, can any of you guess what will happen a month from tonight? (Kiwanis.

We forgot to tell you about our basketball team, we are having our suits made over at the sewing room, we sure will be glad when we get a chance to play a game.

More news next time (maybe).

—Hattie Prim and Sadie Harris

———P. O. H.———

He—Dearest will you marry me?"
She—"No I cannot marry you Jack, but I always respect your good taste."

—Progressive Farmer.

Support

Aux. Mt. Pisgah	2.00
Mt. Pisgah Church	3.00
S. S. Statesville 1st	10.62
Morven S. S.	5.00
Fellowship Church	3.18
Grassy Creek Church	1.50
Kenly Church	1.96
Vanguard 1st Church	4.80
Varina S. S.	5.82
Willow Springs Church	7.40
Covenant Church Wilmington	237.47
Aux. Morven	5.00
Aux. Milton	5.00
Cramerton S. S.	2.40
Calypso S. S.	4.00
Lenoir Church, A Friend	20.00
Wadesboro S. S.	55.00
Covenant Church	350.00
Bethel Church	10.00
Bethlehem Church	36.87
Broadway Church	5.99
Chapel Hill Church	60.00
Aux. Covenant	9.00
Aux. Church-by-Side-Road	7.50
Aux. Eno	27.36
Fairfield Church	15.00
Greenwood Church	3.75
Griers Church	1.05
Hawfields Church	63.50
Alamance Aux., Circle 6	2.85
Alamance Aux., Circle 4	1.88
Hillsboro Church	5.00
Jonesboro Church	11.65
Mebane Church	111.48
Mebane Aux.	3.74
Piedmont Church	.39
Red House Church	20.00
Sanford Church	32.50
Springwood Church	5.19
Westminster Church	73.65
White Hall Church	2.10
Yanceyville Church	10.20
Westminster Church	19.03
Reidsville Church	49.00
Wilmington 1st Church	115.00
Men's Bible Class Charlotte 1st S. S.	10.86
Red Springs Church	67.08
Aux. Salisbury 2nd	5.09
Aux. Red Springs (Regular)	12.21
Aux. Red Springs (Special)	12.56
Hopewell S. S.	3.00
Steel Creek Church	84.00
Steel Creek Aux.	12.00
Steel Creek S. S., Mrs. Choate's class	4.00
Mocksville S. S.	10.32
Cleveland S. S., Little Children's Birthday Offering	7.00
Aux. Westminster	12.00
Men's Bible Class, Bethesda S. S.	16.07
Bensalem S. S.	5.00
Aux. Rocky Mt. 1st, Mrs. A. P. Tharpe	10.00
Rocky Point S. S.	1.45
Statesville 1st Church	83.72
Aux. Greenville	16.00
Greenville Church	8.61
Caldwell Memorial Church	97.92
Covenant S. S., Greensboro	15.59
Spies S. S.	1.80
Raeford Church	51.60
Vanguard Class, Dunn S. S.	34.80
Roxboro S. S.	3.26
Raven Rock Church	15.00
Brittain S. S.	2.20
Rocky River S. S.	45.81
Warrenton S. S.	2.15
Winston-Salem 1st Church	150.00
S. S. Rocky Mt. 1st	8.84
Centre S. S.	2.28
Aux. Shiloh	3.35
Plaza S. S.	12.00
Beulah Church	5.55
Goldsboro S. S.	95.14
Bethel S. S.	2.60
Shelby S. S.	25.61
Aux. Oxford	11.00
Lexington S. S.	22.72
Aux. Howard Mem., Cobb and Holderness	16.50
Concord Iredell Church	12.90
Aux. Howard Mem.	6.00
Pinetops Aux., Circles 1 and 2	4.00
Aux. Fountain	22.50
Aux. Goldsboro	5.00
Aux. Greenville	9.00
Washington 1st Aux.	6.00
Aux. Rocky Mt. 1st	10.00
Maxton Church	47.30
Bethel S. S.	1.89
C. E. Society, St. Pauls, Charlotte	10.00
S. S. Charlotte 2nd, (Special)	100.00
Newton Church	200.00
Aux. Spies	1.00
Groves Memorial Church	9.78
Griers Church	3.25
Aux. Caldwell Memorial	3.75
Charlotte 2nd Church	100.00
Men's Bible Class, Rocky Mount 1st	3.07
Back Creek Church	4.46
Bayless Mem. Church	3.11
Bethpage Church	12.94
Davidson Church	52.03
Elmwood Church	2.18
Gilwood Church	42.42
Harrisburg Church	7.96
Hickory 1st Church	15.12
Hickory 1st S. S.	2.60
Aux. Concord 1st	32.16
Mooresville 2nd Church	23.74
Prospect Church	3.92
Prospect Aux.	.37
Poplar Tent Aux.	1.65
Salisbury 1st Church	97.59
Salisbury 2nd Church	2.09
Shiloh Church	1.35
Tabor Church	1.66
Thyatira Church	6.16
Aux. Salisbury 2nd	.75
McDonalds Church	10.00
Aux. Wallace	29.00
Sanford S. S.	15.00
Aux. Sugaw Creek	6.00
St. Andrews Church	50.00
Laurinburg S. S.	31.12
Mt. Gilead Church	30.00
McPherson S. S.	.89
Aux. Hillsboro	6.00
Jr. Circle, Wilmore Aux.	10.00
Union Services Held in 1st Church Charlotte	106.21
Four Spuare Class, Raleigh 1st	4.50
Marion 1st S. S.	6.25
Bethesda S. S.	25.00
Lumber Bridge Church	2.74
Aberdeen Church	5.00
Aux. Greensboro 1st	12.00

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Miscel. Support

A Fayetteville Friend	6.00
F. P. Tate, Morganton	6.00
Dr. Wilbert Jackson, Clinton	8.33
Addie Webb, Raleigh	10.00
Myra C. Doyle, Ansonville	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Tharpe, Jr., Rocky Mount	5.00
A Statesville Friend	10.00
Mrs. Louise M. Monnet, Valdese	10.00
A Friend	50.00
A. P. Pounds	50.00
Lewis Collins, Henderson	10.00
Miss Mary L. Crawford, Goldsboro	1.00
H. Susman Co., Richmond, Virginia	7.50
Jas. Sloan, Redlands, Cal.	200.00

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Clothing Money

Aux. Lexington	30.00
Mrs. B. Mabry Hart, Tarboro	5.00
Margaret Coble, Greensboro	25.00
Aux. Howard Memorial, Mrs. B. Mabry Hart	5.00
Mrs. W. A. Sharpe, Greensboro	5.00
Anx. Sugaw Creek	25.00

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Thanksgiving Returns

Seven Springs Church	5.00
Int. Dept. S. S. Statesville 1st	10.00
Westminster Church, Charlotte	105.00
Aux. Morven	15.00
Wilmington 1st Church	8.00
Sardis Church	6.80
Aux. Westminster, Greensboro by Mrs. Wall	1.00
Aux. Westminster, Greensboro by Mrs. Stalhelm	5.00
St. Pauls S. S. Charlotte	42.00
Wildwood S. S.	5.00
Aux. Wilson 1st	9.25
Montpelier Church	65.00
Roxboro S. S.	16.07
Mitchell's Chapel	1.71
Winston-Salem 1st Church	310.00
Shelby Church	6.50
S. S. Charlotte 2nd	150.00
Quaker Meadows Church	20.00
Little Joe's Church	1.00
Aux. Beth Car, Kate Monroe	10.00
Aux. Sardis	4.50
Charlotte 2nd Church	27.00
Back Creek Church	24.74
Bayless Mem. Church	5.65
Davidson Church	374.17
Rocky River Church	46.75
Hebron Church	7.00
Aux. Wallace	15.00
Aux. Teachey	5.00
Clio Church	11.25
Siler S. S.	6.80

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EXCHANGES *and* Wheezes

Chapel Speaker:—"I made myself a success. I started as a barefoot boy."

Voice from the rear: "I wasn't born with shoes on myself."

—The Watuugan.

Ephriam:—"What you all call dat when a gal gits married three times—bigotry?"

Mose:—"Lawsy, boy, yore suttenly am a ignoramus. When a gal gits married two times, dat am bigotry. When she tries it three times, dat am trigonometry."—Successful Farming.

"Why, Hugh, you have freckles on your nose." I remarked as I washed my two-year-old.

Looking up, a sad expression in his eyes, he wanted to know, "Mamma, is there any danger of my being a girl?"

"Mrs. Gaswell, while you were in Venice did you see the Bridge of Sighs?"

"Oh, yes I saw what they called that, but my land, I've seen bridges ten times its size without ever going out of Pennsylvania!"

Mrs. Nouveu-Riche: "He's getting on so well at school; he learns French and Algebra. Now Ronnie, say 'How d'ye do' to the lady in Algebra."

A professor attempted to teach a class of little negroes to memorize, "Be not afraid, it is I."

Professor (following day): "Sam, what was the quotation I taught you yesterday?"

Sam (after thinking): "Don't get skeered, 'taint nobody but me—"

Support

Aux. Pittsboro	2.00
Highland Church	42.70
Philadelphia S. S.	36.73
Union Mills S. S.	3.00
Agnes Pennick Mem. Soc. Rocky River	10.00
Rex Church	12.00
Aux. Circle 7, Durham 1st	10.00
Ephesus S. S.	3.00
Thyatira S. S.	4.45
Sallie McMurry Circle, Philadelphia Aux.	40.00
Rockingham S. S.	3.33
Aux. Raeford	17.25
Laurinburg S. S.	153.24
Aux. Wagram	18.75
Aux. Bolton	1.00
Aux. Smithfield	8.00
Shelby Church	29.22
Jackson Springs Church	4.87
S. S. Durham 1st	17.50
Charlotte 1st Church	312.67
Rutherfordton S. S.	24.08
Bethpage Aux.	2.00
McPherson S. S.	4.62
Mallard Creek S. S.	15.00
Circle 7, Aux. Greensboro 1st	6.00
Circle 11, Aux. Greensboro 1st	6.00
Circle 17, Aux. Greensboro 1st	4.00
Rockingham S. S.	3.90
Aux. Westminster, Charlotte	25.00
Young Men's B. C., Statesville 1st S. S.	15.01
Aux. Dunn	18.00
Rowland Church	68.00
Lincolnton S. S.	8.91
Wilson S. S.	19.02
Reidsville Church, Mrs. P. D. Watt	25.00
Aux. North Wilkesboro	18.75
Spencer S. S.	38.44
Aux. Circle 1, Greensboro 1st	3.00
Aux. Circle 2, Greensboro 1st	12.00
Aux. Circle 10, Greensboro 1st	6.00
Student's B. C. Sprunt Mem.	9.50
Aux. Raleigh 1st	11.00
Taylorsville Church	30.77
Stony Point Church	3.45
Aux. Rocky Mt. 1st	16.00
Warrenton Church	30.00
Ashpole Church	3.17
Belmont S. S.	17.38
Woman's B. C., Salisbury 1st	10.00
S. S. Concord 1st	149.00
Kings Mt. 1st Church	50.61
Ernest Myatt Church	1.00
Aux. Charlotte 1st	45.00
Aux. Piedmont	3.60
Moment Class, Raleigh 1st S. S.	13.50
Henderson S. S.	9.00
Myers Park Church, Mrs. Mancy E. Ross	10.00
J. K. Hill B. C. Rocky Mt. 1st S. S.	5.00
Roxboro Aux.	9.00
Men's B. C., Salisbury 1st	50.00
West Raleigh Aux.	3.00
Montpelier S. S.	8.45
Park Place S. S.	1.37
Concord Iredell Church	8.00
Little Joe's S. S.	19.39
Elmwood S. S.	2.26
Front St. S. S.	13.62
St. Pauls S. S.	13.50
Church in Pines	20.00
Long Creek S. S.	2.68
Buffalo (G) S. S.	24.65
Aux. Glenwood	3.00
Wilmington 1st Church	120.00
Aux. High Point 1st	7.60
Rock Branch S. S.	57.02
Aux. Circles 1 and 2, Pinetops	4.00
Aux. Goldsboro	5.00
Aux. New Bern	9.00
Aux. Rocky Mt. 1st	10.00
New Hope S. S.	8.63
Pri. Dept., Lenoir, Birthday gift	3.00
Burgaw Church	3.37
Immanuel Church	7.29
Willard Church	1.50
Winter Park Church	7.97
Graves Mem. Aux.	5.50
Rockfish Aux.	4.02
Woodburn Aux.	.37
Vass S. S.	7.25
Brookston Church	.38
Aux. Durham 1st	26.25
Hebron Church	.70
Aux. Henderson	7.50
Littleton Church	1.88
Aux. Littleton Church	38
Nut Bush Church	2.85
Oxford Aux.	3.76
Raleigh 1st Church	93.75
Aux. Salem	.38
Smithfield Church	8.93
Trinity Ave. Church	2.26
Vanguard 1st Church	4.80
Varina S. S.	3.83
Young Mem. Church	.44
Total	**$5,909.04**

—P. O. H.—

Thanksgiving Returns

White Plains Church	1.00
Locust S. S. Pri. Dept.	.25
Concord 1st Church	10.00
Auxiliary, Charlotte 2nd Church	20.00
Jackson Springs Church	27.70
Gleaners, High Point S. S. (Additional contribution)	100.00
Graham Church	236.67
Wallace Church	64.25
Hopewell S. S.	12.00
Midway Church	8.00
Mt. Williams Church	8.50
Plaza Church	20.85
Fayetteville 1st Church	420.15
Total	**$2,084.79**

—P. O. H.—

CHRISTMAS FUND

Men's Bible Class, Statesville 1st S. S.	5.70
Spies S. S.	4.00
Oak Hill Church	20.00
Aux. Raeford	1.00
Total	**$30.70**

Children And Standard Of Living

That the declining birth rate is seen as an important factor is raising the standards of living in this country is one of the statements in the report of the secretary of the President's Conferences on Employment. "The retardation in the growth of population in this country has affected the whole social situation," he says.

If this is true—and it undoubtedly s—then this country had better halt sharply and consider at what price the standard of living is being raised. Too many children per family is inimical to the future of the race. But two few children is even more so. The race must reproduce itself with some margin of growth. So much is obvious.

The Secetary does not define the standard of living as he sees it—at least not in the news matter available. But wouldn't it be fair to say that a sound standard of living is one that allows the average family to consist of more than one or two children besides the parents? As it is many families are hard pressed to provide the necessities for several children, while in other childless family or families where there is only one or two children, the mothers have to worry a good deal to devise new luxuries to fill up their idle hours.

If this latter situation is what may be called our "higest standard of living" then the United States is in a precarious situation. It will utimately die on the altar of a "higher standard of living." The sheer waste of wealth in frivolous luxuries that take place so flagrantly in this country would if placed to better use, allow a sufficient number of children to be reared to ensure the continuation of American civilization and its steady improvement.—Winston-Salem Journal.

—P. O. H.—

What The Church Meant To Jim

AT a nod from the minister, Mr. Richfield, the elder, came forward and cleared his throat. He had to present to the congregation its too-familiar plight—that of a small plight, struggling half-heartedly against the fate that has overtaken so many others. Older members and generous supporters had passed to their reward; substantial families had moved away until now the case looked hopeless.

Mr. Richfield mentioned the deficit in the crisp tone of a man who knows what dollars and cents means, and how hard they are to get. The Ladies' Aid Society, he added, would pledge fifty dollars; by a very liberal estimate, another fifty might be picked up here and there; but seventy-five dollars still remained unprovided for. That was a large sum for a church at Garnet. "Sanctuary privileges" were not beyond the reach of those who cared to seek them elsewhere even if the doors of the old church were closed.

The half dozen men accustomed to "say a word" on such occasions agreed regretfully with the elder. The mood of the assembly was despondent. As the discussion went on, some of the women wiped their eyes. Then upon the silence that ensued a new voice broke. It was that shabby Jim Wager. He shrank a little from the curious glances that were turned upon him.

"I never could speak in meetin'," he began in a voice that quavered with embarrassment, "but when it's a question of losing all a man has he can't keep quiet. You know what I was until the Lord got a hand on me a year ago. I ain't braggin' of what I've been since. It's been a close fight sometimes, and if it hadn't been for the church here, and the prayers and the preaching and the hymns every Sunday, I couldn't have done so well as I have. I don't care to do without them. Mr. Richfield says that seventy-five dollars will keep things movin' for another year. It'll be a sight better for me to pay that myself than to take the chances of drifting back where I was once.

"I can't earn but a dollar a day, and there ain't always work to be had, but if we come to short rations Mary and the children would rather put up with that than to have me staggering home twice a week, as I might do. Mr. Richfield, put Jim Wager down for seventy-five dollars, and, granting he lives and has his health, every cent will be paid. It's not half nor a quarter what the Lord has done for me."

Mr. Richfield rose to his feet. "I will assume twenty dollars of the amount," he said, simply. "I feel that we have treated a serious matter too lightly—hidden away from our eyes under the disguise of routine a sacred trust committed to us by God for the souls of men."

The despondency was gone. A dozen women sat with uplifted hands. The church at Garnet was saved.—The Youth's Companion.

Athletics

Athletics For The Last Part Of January

IN Tuesday Night, January the 21st, our wrestling team journeyed to Salisbury to take on their brand new wrestling team. Salisbury had a splendid looking team, and a little more experience will make them hard to handle. The greater experience of our team was largely responsible for the score of 30-0 in our favor.

On Wednesday, January 22nd, our girls' basketball team met Mitchell College on Barium Court, the final score being Barium 47, Mitchell 23. Even at that, Mitchell has a splendid team, and we believe will be hard to beat a little bit later in the season.

On Friday, January 24th, our girls and boys teams journeyed to North Wilkesboro, and had two splendid games. Both of our teams were victorious. This being the first time that we carried off both ends of the double header.

Both of North Wilkesboro's teams played hard, and it was their inability to hit the basket that enabled us to win the victory. Our boys won by a score of 12 to 7; the girls, 58-12. On Saturday night at Barium, our boys played the Statesville High School boys, defeating them 12-3, and then the all-star games in which Barium played Pineville, resulted in a victory for Barium of 40-27. We believe we explained before the Barium All-Star Team is made up of grown folks that live in and near Barium, but still have enough surplus energy in their system to want to work it off in a basketball game occasionally. They put up a high-class article on the basketball court. Quite a number of the players bring their wives along to help swell the rooting section. Mrs. Hugo Kimball and Mrs. Bob Collier being in this number.

On Tuesday, January the 28th, on the Barium Court, Statesville girls played Barium Springs. The Statesville team this year is made up almost entirely of new material. The result was 37-12 in favor of Barium.

On Friday night, January the 31st, our girls' team journeyed to Salisbury and had a dandy game with the Salisbury High School girls. The lead changed so many times during this game that the scorekeeper was dizzy. First Barium took the lead, then Salisbury, and then they switched about until after the first quarter when Barium took a lead that was never after headed. The final score being 39-29.

So much for regular schedule sports. But that doesn't have a thing to do with sledding and snowballing, and we've had plenty of that during the last few days. February starts out with games scheduled on the very first day, and some on the very last day. It's a short month, but it will be full of meat in our athletics.

110-POUND BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

February 5— Barium at Davidson
February 12— Salisbury at Barium
February 19— Barium at Stony
February 26—Davidson at Barium.
March 5— Barium at Salisbury
March 12— Stony Point at Barium

—P. O. H.—

Miscel. Support

W. E. Griffin, Winston-Salem	5.00
Miss Jane N. Morrison, Charlotte	5.00
Mrs. W. H. Bowling, Rocky Mt.	10.00
J. S. Clodfelter, Stony Point	10.00
Mrs. Kate M. Rogers, In lieu flowers, Frances R. Beaman, Raleigh	5.00
Total	**$420.83**

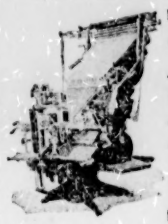
—P. O. H.—

Clothing Money

Beg. & Pri. Dept. Washington 1st	3.50
Aux. Church of Covenant	200.00
Aux. Greensboro 1st	125.00
Aux. Concord 1st	90.00
Wharey Mem. Aux. Mooresville	90.00
Aux. Westminster, Charlotte	25.00
Total	**$628.50**

Salesman—"And to what address shall I send this bucket, sir?"

Meek Customer—"Oh, 715 Hillside Avenue. And, er, you'll send it soon, won't you? You see, we're having a fire."



The Pi Counter

"From the Hand that Keeps the World Informed"

What's been happening over the ampus more recently since Christmas s repeatedly expressed with the cotage news writers—that of basketball nd wrestling. But I don't believe ny one has said anything about the ish pond which is in the course of process. Perhaps next summer we an hang a line over in the water, and occasionally stick a toe in as well, just to see if fish do really bite.

Somebody said misery loves company, but it's at the wrong time of the year to say whether the swimming pool will divide time with the fish.

And preliminaries are in process whereby those of the Barium family will get to tickle their palate with fried chicken sometime next summer, as there are 500 baby chicks now in the offing to give unusual attention to those cold mornings.

The January birthday enthusiasts were entertained with their birthday dinner coming on Wednesday, January 18th. Thirty-two participants of this luncheon made up the party.

Most every Friday night brings to Barium folk an extraordinary good picture show, usually a high-class picture which old and young alike enjoy. And right along with the picture we have music accompaniment from a Sparton Equizone radio that lends a diffrent touch to the enchanruent.

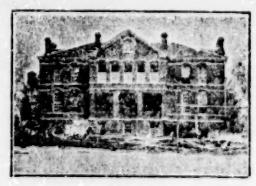
The editorial staff of The Spotlight, the year book for Barium Springs High School, is busy with the editorial work and copy for the 1930 edition. This year the class represents 21, and from general conclusions The Spotlight gives promise for talent. The Messenger crew will also have the opportunity to exploit talent in getting this book in print, etc. Advertising space is solicited from outside concerns and rates upon this may be had through application to advertising manager of The Spotlight.

Parallel with a barb-wire fence and embankment on one side, farm buildings and timberland bounding otherwise, that particular thing purporting to be Barium Springs new athletic stadium assumes new aspects every day. It is hoped that this will be completed in time for the opening of the 1930 football season next fall.

With the apologies to the artist who's responsible for "Out Our Way" and the author of "Tip-toe Through The Tulips"—there has been so much mud out our way that we almost do the tip-toe stuff all the time, and we hope this is not of the copyright order.

—P. O. H.—

Lees



Lees Cottage Jan. 22—Well here we are again and with not much to say, but everybody is glad mid-term examinations are over, and all made very well.

Now we are having basketball, wrestling and boxing for a change.

We haven't had much snow yet this year and while it lasted we had a good time riding on our sleds.

Oh yes! most of the boys of Lees Cottage are skating these days and having a fine time.

A HOUSE CAT

—P. O. H.—

Gifts

Hope Mills, Galatia Aux., Rockfish Circle, one quilt.

Chapel Hill, Sprunt Memorial Church, 30 quarts fruit.

Creedmoor, Mr. J. L. Hinton, donation clothing.

Durham, Mr. Lee Roy Gattis, donation clothing.

Hope Mills, Sherwood Aux., one quilt.

Clinton, Mrs. J. H. Register, one quilt.

Winston-Salem, Rogers Memorial S. S., bibs and wash cloths for Baby Cottage.

Sanford, Aux. Circle 1, Pocket Church, 2 quilts, 10 cup towels.

Wilson, Mrs. W. T. Clark, 100 books for the Library.

REV. C. A. WOOD, CHILDREN'S HOME, PASSES

Just as we go to press, we learn of the death of Rev. C. A. Wood the head of a sister institution. His many friends at Barium extend to the family, to his friends and to the institution, he served most faithfully, their most heart-felt sympathy.

—P. O. H.—

Synod

SYNOD COTTAGE, Jan. 28th.—A number of the boys have been enjoying trips to Charlotte with Miss Andrews. Those who went last week were: Howard and J. D. Beshears, R. C. Miller, Paul Horne, Hugh Norman, Larry Marlow, Dennis and Dallas Williams, Billy Lindsey, Roy Townsend, Richard Moore, and Leslie Smith.

The boys who feed and care for the rabbits were invited by the Senior girls of the Domestic Science Class to dinner Thursday evening. From their reports Miss Patterson has some real cooks in the class. They had a good time and made us all jealous because we were not "rabbit boys."

Billy and Edmund Hewitt enjoyed a visit from their daddy and uncle Saturday. Also R. C. Miller and Harvey Lee Wilson's mothers surprised them with a visit Saturday.

We gave our annual Sunday morning program in the dining room on January 12th. Now we can sit back and enjoy all the other programs that the different cottages will have.

It is raining here today and you know what that means—"staying inside our caves."

Yours for the sunshine—
"THE FORTY THIEVES."

—P. O. H.—

AN ODE TO THE WATER TANK

(Written by A. J. Potter)

There she stands against the sky,
Exceedingly erect and very high.
She had no arms when she was born,
Or if she did, they have been, from her torn.

She likes to look at the children from above,
And show them that she also, may have tender love.
She likes to watch them in their glee,
Although she cannot bend her knee.

She has no tail, nor trouble,
All she does is bubble, bubble.
What does she do with all her time?
Drinking water as if 'twere wine.

In the winter when it is cold,
There she stands, as ever—bold.
All around her, icicles glimmer,
But she never gives a whimmer.

And it seems that she's a good mother,
For the birds around her hover.
She teaches them to coo and love
From her perch high above.

She is very picturesque against the pointed sky,
Her only trouble is that she has no arms, four legs,
And seems mighty high.

But she supplies the water for Barium Springs,
Not only that, but a lot of other things.
There she stands, tall and lank—
So, now you'll guess, it's the—
WATER TANK.

—P. O. H.—

January is not only the time for mid-term exams. It is when we have our annual general clinic.

The school exams check up on the brain growth. The clinic checks on the physical developement. It is interesting—look for particulars in the March Messenger.

—P. O. H.—

Saddest case of all was the absent-minded professor who put the candle in bed with his wife and put himself out for the night.

"Keep your face always toward the sunshine and the shadows will fall behind you."

Traveling is not the only thing that broaens. Ask those who can't control their appetites.

—P. O. H.—

Did you know that James M. Barrie said: "The secret of happinessis not in doing what one likes but in liking what one has to do."